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## Delaware Milk Cash Receipts Down 26 Percent in 2015

**DOVER, DE** – Cash receipts in Delaware from marketings of milk during 2015 totaled \$17 million, 26 percent lower than 2014, according to Dale Hawks, Maryland State Statistician. Producer returns averaged \$17.40 per hundredweight, 28 percent below 2014. Marketings totaled 97.5 million pounds, up 2 percent from 2014. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers and milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 1 million pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, unchanged from 2014. Calves were fed 90 percent of this milk, with the remainder consumed in producer households.

Delaware milk production increased 2 percent in 2015 to 98.5 million pounds. The rate per cow, at 19,700 pounds, was 404 pounds below 2014. The annual average number of milk cows on farms was 5,000 head, up 200 head from 2014.

The complete Milk Production PDI publication and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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